



October 2, 2007

Dr. L.E. Bradley  
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Re: Missing Artifacts from Site 39PN1617, 39CU1853, and 39FA1383.

Dear Dr. Bradley,

After completing an inventory of the artifacts collected by the University of South Dakota Archaeology Laboratory and a review of the artifact catalogs, a total of 5 artifacts remain unaccounted for when the artifacts were returned to DM&E in December of 2006. A summary of the missing artifacts is provided below.

One floral patterned teaspoon (Catalog #3, Field Specimen #350) is missing from the artifact assemblage recovered from site 39PN1617.

Two glass artifact fragments were missing from the artifact assemblage from site 39CU1853. The missing artifacts are a bottle neck and rim (Catalog #2, Field Specimen #588) and a bottle body fragment (Catalog #3, Field Specimen #589). These two artifacts belong to Custer Ranch and were discussed in the letter sent to you on September 12, 2007.

Lastly, two very important artifacts are missing from the artifact assemblage from site 39FA1383. The missing artifacts are a powder horn (Catalog #1, Field Specimen #245) and an associated powder horn cork/knob (Catalog #5, Field Specimen #279).

Your assistance in locating these artifacts would be gratefully appreciated. Copies of the artifact catalogs are enclosed for your reference. In the event that these artifacts are located, please submit the artifacts to the DM&E office in Sioux Falls. In turn, we will return the artifacts to the appropriate landowner or artifact repository. Do not hesitate to call Troy Kogel at (605) 595-2294 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Henke".

Randy Henke  
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cc: Renee Boen, State Archaeological Research Center

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